

Wireless 911 Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
1200 N Street, The Atrium
Second Floor Conference Room
Monday, July 9, 2007

Meeting called to Order at 10:05 a.m. by Bill Ashburn.

Roll Call – Carol Ripley, Bill Ashburn, Isaac Brown, Larry Lavelle, Mark Conrey, Beth Sickie, Pete Peterson present.

Commissioner Gerald Vap, Joan Raffety, Tyler Frost, Gary Lucas from the Commission.

Consideration of correction to minutes of March 23, 2007 Meeting: This item was passed over. A determination was made that a correction is unnecessary.

Consideration of minutes of May 14, 2007 Meeting: Isaac Brown moves to approve the minutes. Mark Conrey seconds the motion. No discussion is had. All voting aye, motion carries.

Seward County Funding Request: This funding request will be passed over at this time due to lack of documentation. Discussion was had that once all documentation is available, it will be sent out to the advisory board for a decision to be made via email. Discussion was had and Board members felt that it would be okay to handle this funding request in this manner. Minutes should reflect that this was discussed and all documentation will be sent out for response.

Keith County-Garden County Funding Request: Pete Peterson advised that Garden County has a 24-hour dispatch center with basic 911. Garden and Keith Counties are working on an interlocal agreement to have 911 calls answered by Ogallala and Ogallala will transfer the call to Garden County. For Garden County to get the benefit of mapping capabilities available at Keith County, the location information will be faxed to Garden County. Discussion is had by the Advisory Board members. Pete Peterson advises that this would be for wireline and wireless calls. Isaac Brown moves to recommend funding for Keith County fax system at the percentage established by the Commission. Larry Lavelle seconds the motion. Mark Conrey advised that he felt that this would be caused by Phase II because landline would show an address. Isaac Brown disagrees and he advises that he feels that it is a valuable resource for landline. Discussion is had that this could be relevant to docket opened regarding paying costs for consolidation. Isaac Brown withdraws the motion and Larry Lavelle withdraws his second to the motion. This matter will be tabled.

Dakota County/South Sioux City Funding Request: Reimbursement request for mapping software upgrade. Stacen Gross from GeoComm advised the Advisory Board of the details of this funding request. Mark Conrey makes a motion that once Dakota County requests Phase II, this funding request should be considered by the Commission. Pete Peterson seconds the motion. All voting aye, motion carries.

Colfax County Funding Request: Funding request is for workstations to provide mapping. Stacen Gross advised that the PSAP will need additional RAM to be able to view aerials and will need additional screens in order to have separate mapping screens. The PSAP will be ready for Phase II with these upgrades. Isaac Brown makes a motion that once the PSAP requests Phase II this funding request should be considered by the Commission. Larry Lavelle seconds the motion. All voting aye, the motion carries.

Fund Balance: Joan Raffety advised that the balance of the Wireless E911 Fund is \$14,342,613.46 at this time.

911 Implementation and GIS Status Reports: Reports were distributed showing status of the state of Nebraska.

Consideration of New Funding Requests: No new funding requests.

Angela Melton enters meeting.

Discussion of changes to pANIs: Discussion is had briefly. This was a carry-over discussion item from the last meeting due to issues brought up by Jack Robertshaw. Mr. Robertshaw is not present at today's meeting.

Discussion regarding criteria for consideration of funding requests and Discussion regarding reimbursement for costs of consolidation: Mark Conrey discusses that he believes that precedent will determine what will be paid in the future. Question is posed: What does 911 operations look like after implementation of Phase II? Discussion is had that if the Fund has paid maintenance costs in the past, will there be an expectation that the Fund will always pay the maintenance, etc.? A determination will need to be made regarding what should be attributable to wireless versus wireline? Discussion is had that the State needs to be ready for next generation 911. A suggestion is made that the PSAPs should be made aware how much is being paid out of the Fund on their behalf every month. Suggestion is made that a guideline needs to be established what will be paid for going forward. Mark Conrey discusses that the LEC and wireless costs have not been looked at yet in any detail. A question is posed: Do we need to cut back on what we are paying for to LECs and wireless carriers? Question is posed: Should maintenance be divided between the Fund and the PSAP? Discussion is had about providing overhead cost recovery to PSAPs. Discussion is had regarding the tariff filings of LECs. Iowa negotiated a long-term contract with Qwest for the provision of 911. Kansas is attempting to negotiate with AT&T. A suggestion is made that the Board should look at the LEC and wireless carrier costs. Discussion is had that a request should be made to LECs and wireless carriers to negotiate the costs for provision of 911. Discussion is had that mapping maintenance costs are excessive. Further discussion is had that possibly a state agency should absorb the maintenance work and do future updates instead of paying an outside vendor. A suggestion is made that the counties need to be made aware of what they will need to be prepared to pay for in the future. A determination is made that a letter will be sent to Qwest, Windstream and Embarg requesting that they appear before the Advisory Board to explain how their costs are incurred related to 911.

Discussion is had that the monthly recurring costs of the LECs and wireless carriers needs to be understood more clearly by the Board regarding the detail of what causes the costs. Additionally an understanding of the PSAP costs and GIS data and data maintenance, maintenance costs for equipment needs to be reviewed. Bill Ashburn advised that he felt that the Fund should cover a percentage of the maintenance. Discussion is had that the Board should start with reviewing the costs of LECs. Suggestion is made to look into what alternatives other states used? Discussion is had that the Board will request LECs to explain how they incur their costs. Discussion is had that criteria for maintenance needs to be established. A suggestion is made that someone go through what has been approved up to this point to determine what has been paid for in the past. Discussion is had regarding offering incentives to consolidate.

Schedule next meeting (Next meeting to be held outside of Lincoln): Meeting tentative scheduled for October 15, 2007 in Omaha.

Meeting adjourned at Larry Lavelle motions to adjourn the meeting. Carol Ripley seconds. All voting aye, the meeting is adjourned at 1:14 p.m.